

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of: P. WEAVER *et al.*

Art Unit: 3732

Application No.: 09/660,287

Examiner: Eduardo C. Robert

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For: BONE PLATING SYSTEM

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)**Box AF**Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the time for response to the Office Action dated December 24, 2002, be extended for a period of 1 month, from March 24, 2003 to April 24, 2003.

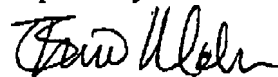
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